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I.

### **SCHEDULE FOR FILING PLAN**

On June 17, 2019, the Debtor filed the *Plan of Liquidation of Sedgwick LLP* [Docket No. 245] (the "Plan"), Disclosure Statement in Support of Plan of Liquidation of Sedgwick LLP [Docket No. 246] (the "Disclosure Statement"), and Motion for an Order Approving the Disclosure Statement [Docket No. 247] (the "Solicitation Motion"). The hearing on the Solicitation Motion was originally scheduled for August 1, 2019 at 10:00.

Since the filing of the above-described pleadings, the Debtor has been engaged in limited discovery and settlement discussions with the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") regarding the Motion for an Order Approving the Compromise of a Controversy Among the Debtor and Certain Former Equity Partners [Docket No. 234] (the "Partner Settlement **Motion**"). As a result of these discussions, the Debtor has continued the hearing on the Solicitation Motion to August 15, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. so that it can focus on settlement discussions with the Committee regarding the Partner Settlement Motion.

The Partner Settlement Motion was rescheduled for July 18, 2019 at 10:00 but in light of the limited discovery and settlement discussions with the Committee, the Debtor also continued the hearing to August 15, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

II.

## MONTHLY OPERATING REPORTS AND DIP ACCOUNTS

The Debtor filed the following monthly operating reports ("MOR") since the last status statement: [Docket Nos. 231 and 254]. The Debtor will continue to file its MORs and pay United States Trustee Fees as and when they come due.

III.

## DISPOSITION OF FORMER CLIENT FILES

The Debtor operated a law firm for over 85 years. The Debtor acquired documents and other files that presumably belong to former clients. It was common for the Debtor to store such documents with a third-party that specializes in the storage of client files. The Debtor has mailed all former clients advising them of the process in place to retrieve their files. The Debtor is responding

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to what it believes are the last of the file disposition requests. Per the terms of the settlement with GRM [Docket Nos. 164 and 207], GRM is in the process of reconciling the cost that was paid by former clients, which will be offset against the settlement payment paid to GRM. Once that is complete, the Debtor expects to receive a reimbursement from GRM by the end of August 2019.

IV.

#### **ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

The Debtor's Court approved collection consultants have been actively engaged in the collection of outstanding accounts receivable. As reflected in the schedules of assets and liabilities [Docket No. 107] and amended schedules of assets and liabilities [Docket 119], the Debtor estimated that approximately \$1,000,000 of the outstanding accounts receivable would be collected. Since the petition date, a total of \$1,500,022 has been collected, comprised of \$1,406,394 of U.S. balances collected by On-Site and an additional \$93,628 in UK (figure is USD equivalent of GBP collections) and Bermuda balances collected by C&C. The Debtor and its collection consultants are hopeful they will be able to continue collecting more than what the Debtor originally estimated.

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## **NOTICE**

Notice of this Status Conference Statement was served on (i) the Office of the United States Trustee; (ii) counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors; and (iii) all parties requesting service.

Dated: July 11, 2019 PACHULSKI STANG ZIEHL & JONES LLP

> By: /s/ John W. Lucas John W. Lucas

> > Attorneys for Sedgwick, LLP

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2	CITY OF S.	AN FRANCISCO )				
3		I, Oliver Carpio, am employed in the city and county of San Francisco, State of California. Im over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is 150 California.				
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5	On July 11, 2019, I caused to be served the following documents in the manner stated below:					
6	• SEL	OGWICK, LLP'S CHAPTER 11 FOURTH STATUS CONFERENCE REPORT				
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8		TO BE SERVED BY THE COURT VIA NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING (NEF): Pursuant to controlling General Orders and LBR, the foregoing document was served by the court via NEF and hyperlink to the document. On				
10 11		July 11, 2019, I checked the CM/ECF docket for this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding and determined that the following persons are on the Electronic Mail Notice List to receive NEF transmission at the email addresses stated below				
12		(BY MAIL) I am readily familiar with the firm's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. Under that practice it would be				
13 14		deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on that same day with postage thereon fully prepaid at San Francisco, California, in the ordinary course of business. I am aware that on motion of the party served, service is presumed invalid if				
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17 18		clare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California and the United nerica that the foregoing is true and correct.				
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